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06 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
07 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
AT SEATTLE

08 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, )  
09 Plaintiff, ) CASE NO. MJ 11-388  
10 v. )  
11 MICHELLE RENEE HUGHES, ) DETENTION ORDER  
12 Defendant. )  
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14 Offense charged: False Statement in Application for Passport (two counts), Social  
15 Security Fraud, Unlawful Production of Identification Document, Aggravated Identity Theft

16 Date of Detention Hearing: September 6, 2011.

17 The Court, having conducted a detention hearing pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3142(f), and  
18 based upon the factual findings and statement of reasons for detention hereafter set forth, finds  
19 that no condition or combination of conditions which defendant can meet will reasonably  
20 assure the appearance of defendant as required and the safety of other persons and the  
21 community.

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01            FINDINGS OF FACT AND STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR DETENTION

02            1.        The AUSA proffers information that defendant has a history of fleeing court  
03 orders and poses a risk of flight, asserting that a 2005 bench warrant from North Carolina  
04 remains outstanding, despite notice to the defendant, which he has eluded. The United States  
05 contends that numerous identification documents were seized during the search of defendants  
06 residence, including fraudulent documents, birth certificates, national identification cards for  
07 England and Japan, and a British passport application that had been filled out for the defendant,  
08 as well as numerous other blank applications for other foreign passports. The AUSA proffers  
09 that during a search in 2007 pursuant to another case, the police found stacks of identification  
10 documents for various individuals, including eleven tax returns of other persons. The AUSA  
11 further proffers that the defendant claimed to be an undercover federal agent when interviewed  
12 by law enforcement.

13            2.        Although the defendant has family ties to the area, he is unemployed and has no  
14 financial ties to the area.

15            3.        Defendant poses a risk of nonappearance due to his association with multiple  
16 alias identifiers, as well as the alleged possession of identification information related to other  
17 persons, false identification documents in his own name, and the alleged possession of  
18 equipment capable of being used for the manufacture of false identity documents. Defendant  
19 poses a risk of danger due to criminal history.

20            4.        There does not appear to be any condition or combination of conditions that will  
21 reasonably assure the defendant's appearance at future Court hearings while addressing the  
22 danger to other persons or the community.

01 It is therefore ORDERED:

- 02 1. Defendant shall be detained pending trial and committed to the custody of the Attorney  
03 General for confinement in a correction facility separate, to the extent practicable, from  
04 persons awaiting or serving sentences or being held in custody pending appeal;
- 05 2. Defendant shall be afforded reasonable opportunity for private consultation with  
06 counsel;
- 07 3. On order of the United States or on request of an attorney for the Government, the  
08 person in charge of the corrections facility in which defendant is confined shall deliver  
09 the defendant to a United States Marshal for the purpose of an appearance in connection  
10 with a court proceeding; and
- 11 4. The Clerk shall direct copies of this Order to counsel for the United States, to counsel  
12 for the defendant, to the United States Marshal, and to the United State Pretrial Services  
13 Officer.

14 DATED this 6th day of September, 2011.

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17 Mary Alice Theiler  
18 United States Magistrate Judge  
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